

# Report to County Councillor Carole Haythornthwaite Report submitted by: Head of Service Legal, Governance and Registrars

**Electoral Division affected:** Great Harwood, Rishton & Clayton-le-Moors;

# Local Member Grants Scheme Application from:

Rishton Methodist Church

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# **Brief Summary**

This report presents an application from a local organisation requesting £215:24 towards induction saucepans, frying casserole pans, roasting tins and kitchen utensils from the Local Member Grants Scheme.

## Recommendation

That consideration be given to the request for grant funding as set out in this report.

## Detail

On 16 December 2021, Full Council approved the reintroduction of the Local Member Grants Scheme. Under the scheme, each county councillor has been given a specific budget which they can spend to enhance the economic, social, and environmental well-being of people who live in their division. Following the reintroduction, using powers in the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, the Leader of the County Council has authorised individual county councillors to take formal decisions on behalf of the county council.

For the financial year 2024/25, each county councillor has a budget of £2000. Each councillor can also carry forward a maximum of £200 that was unspent in the previous financial year. County Councillor Carole Haythornthwaite's total budget is set out in the financial section of the report.

Details of the requests for grant funding are shown below:

# Full name of your organisation

**Rishton Methodist Church** 

#### How much are you applying for? Minimum £100, Maximum £2000

£215:24

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Which county councillors' electoral division(s) will your expenditure cover or benefit?

Name	Amount
Great Harwood, Rishton and Clayton-le-Moors	£215:24

What are you going to spend the grant on?

Induction saucepans, frying casserole pans, roasting tins and kitchen utensils.

## Date of your project / event or the purchase of goods

The kitchen cooker will be installed along with the eco heating and electrical system.

Date of commencement of works 02/04/2024 and approximate date for completion for the central heating will be the 18/04/2024 with purchase of the kitchen utensils ongoing.

## How will the money benefit people in the councillor(s) division(s)?

Rishton Methodist Church is a community hub for the people in the community. We have various groups of different ages who use the building, we have voluntary and hiring groups who help us to keep the building functional.

The voluntary groups consist of Sunday Club, Rainbows Brownies and Guides, Parents and Carers, Ladies Friendly, Men's Fellowship, Film and Afternoon Tea, Breakfast Club, The Hirers and Childminders, Exercise Tai Chi, Cycling Club and Camera Club.

Please give a detailed breakdown of your expenditure for your activity / equipment.

Judge Vista Stainless Steel Saucepans (Set) JJH1A £103:12 Judge Vista Casserole 24 cm JJ37A £30:25 Judge Radiant Fry Pan 24cm JOM19B £16:48 Judge Radiant Fry Pan 22cm JOM197B £15:46 Bargain – Galore 4 piece roasting tins stainless steel £24:95 Cooliker kitchen utensil 8 piece non stick/stainless steel £25:00 Total: £215:24

If you are not asking for the full amount of the cost of your activity / equipment, please give us details of where the rest of the funding is coming from. Please also explain what you will do if we give you the grant, but you do not get the other funding.

We would like to apply for the full amount please.

If the councillor offers a grant of less than you have asked for, please explain below how that will affect your proposal – for example, will you still be able to complete your project or purchase, will you scale the project back, or seek funding elsewhere?

We would have to seek funding elsewhere as we are currently taking on a major project to upgrade the premises to eco-friendly heating and electricity solar panels. This has been supported with a 50% grant and match funding by the church.

Will the activity involve members of your organisation having significant contact with children or vulnerable adults?

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	No

#### Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

#### **Risk management**

No significant risks have been identified in relation to the proposals contained within this report.

## Finance

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An up-date of spend in 2024/25 is shown below:

Budget for 2024/25		£2,000.00		
C/F from 2023/24		£0.00		
Refunds		£0.00		
Total Grant Available in 2024/25		£2,000.00		
Grant Allocations Already Approved				
£0.00				
Grant Remaining to be Allocated in 2024/25		£2,000.00		
Grants Requests Submitted but not yet Approved or Rejected	Women Rise Up CIC	£265.00		
	Great Harwood Rovers	£500.00		
£765.00				
NEW REQUESTS	Rishton Methodist Church	£215.24		
£215.24				
Total Grant Requests in Progress		£980.24		
Value of Grant Remaining to be allocated in 2024/25 if all outstanding requests are approved		£1,019.76		

# List of Background Papers

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